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LOAD ON A TENSIONED ELONGATED ELEMENT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MAILSTOP PATENT APPLICATION Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows: